

GREAT PLACE to START (GPS)

Acronyms & Common Use Terms from across BU

Boston University Campuses

BMC – Boston Medical Center (hospital affiliated with BUMC)

BUMC- Boston University Medical Campus (also known as MED)

CRC – Charles River Campus

OSW – One Silber Way

CRC Schools

CAS – College of Arts and Sciences

CFA – College of Fine Arts

CGS – College of General Studies

COM – College of Communication

ENG – College of Engineering

GPN – Graduate School of Neuroscience

GRS – Graduate School of Arts & Sciences

Kilachand – Arvind & Chandan Nandlal Kilachand Honors College

LAW – School of Law

MET – Metropolitan College

Pardee: Frederick S. Pardee School of Global Studies

ROTC – Decision of Military Education

SAR – College of Health & Rehabilitation Sciences: Sargent College

SHA – School of Hospitality Administration (pronounced “Shaw”)

STH – School of Theology

SSW – School of Social Work

Wheelock – Wheelock College of Education & Human Development

Questrom – Questrom School of Business

BUMC Schools

Chobanian & Avedisian SOM (no acronym permitted)

GSDM – Henry M. Goldman School of Dental Medicine

SPH – School of Public Health

Research Centers & General BU

Arts Initiative – BU Arts Initiative for Students, Faculty, and Staff

BUild Lab – Boston University IDG Capital Student Innovation Center

CARE - Center for Autism Research

CAR – Center for Antiracist Research

CCD – Center for Career Development

CDS – Center for Computing and Data Science (also a building)

CTL – Center for Teaching and Learning

DL&I – Digital Learning & Innovation

FSCN – Faculty Staff Community Networks

FitRec – Fitness and Recreation Center

GSU – George Sherman Union (Student Center)

Hariri (or HIC) - Rafik B. Hariri Institute for Computing and Computational Science

HTC - Howard Thurman Center

IOC - Initiative on Cities

Kilachand Center - Rajen Kilachand Center for Integrated Life Sciences and Engineering

LGBTQIA+ Center for Faculty & Staff – (Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, Queer, Questioning, Intersex, Asexual, Aromantic, and the plus indicates identities beyond the acronym as well as expansive and emerging identities)

NEIDL - National Emerging Infectious Diseases Laboratories

Newbury Center – Newbury Center for First Generation Undergraduate and Graduate Students

Pardee - Frederick S. Pardee Center for the Study of the Longer-Range Future

Photonics - Photonics Center

RISCS - Center for Reliable Information Systems and Cyber Security

BU Departments

BUPD – BU Police Department

CELOP – Center for Language & Orientation Programs

C&I – Community & Inclusion

DAS – Disability and Access Services

DAR – Development & Alumni Relations

D&I – Diversity & Inclusion

DoS – Dean of Students Office

ENSA – Enrollment & Student Administration

ERC – Educational Resource Center

FSAO – Faculty Staff Assistance Office

HRBP – Human Resource Business Partner

HRSC – Human Resource Service Center

HTC – Howard Thurman Center

IS&T – Information Systems & Technology

MarCom – Marketing & Communications

OD&L – Organizational Development & Learning

TRS – Talent Recruiting Services

WBUR - Boston's NPR News Station

PERD – Physical Education Recreation & Dance

SARP – Sexual Assault Response & Prevention

BU Systems

HRIS – Human Resources Information Systems

TeD – Terrier eDevelopment - Boston University's Learning Management System for staff, faculty, and student professional development. (Not used for academic learning).

SIS – Student Information Systems